

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 56

RESOLUTION CHAPTER 46

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

ACR 56, Steinberg. Foster care.

This measure would acknowledge the month of May 2001, as Foster Care Awareness Month and urge all citizens to give recognition and appreciation to foster parents.

WHEREAS, More than 110,000 children throughout California are provided essential services through the foster care system each year; and

WHEREAS, Children who cannot live with their biological families because of abuse, neglect, or abandonment require the commitment and nurturing care of foster parents; and

WHEREAS, Foster parents play an essential role in breaking the cycle of child abuse and promoting the reunification of families requiring foster care services; and

WHEREAS, Foster parents contribute greatly to their communities and the state by meeting the vital needs of dependent children; and

WHEREAS, The Members of the California Legislature wish to acknowledge the important role of foster parents and the foster care system; and

WHEREAS, Public and private child welfare agencies throughout California host foster parent appreciation events during the month of May; and

WHEREAS, There remains a critical shortage of foster homes for teenagers, ethnic minorities, infants, and special needs children; now therefore, be it

Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate thereof concurring, That the month of May 2001 be recognized as “California Foster Care Awareness Month” and that all citizens be urged to give recognition and appreciation to foster parents for the care that they provide; and be it further

Resolved, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit a copy of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.

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